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Applicant: Takahiro OGUCHI	Art Unit: 2823
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Title: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING AN EXTERNAL FORCE DETECTION SENSOR	

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, submitted herewith is a copy of an Official Communication issued in a corresponding European Patent Application. Applicant has enclosed a completed Form PTO-1449.

Although the Official Communication from European Patent Office cites the following two (2) references: DE 196 10 782 A and DE 197 15 194 A, Applicant did not

include a copy of these references herewith as the references have been previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed on May 26, 2004.

The statement is not a representation that all of the information cited is necessarily effective as prior art against the application.

I hereby state that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than 3 months prior to the filing of this statement, and that this is the first citation of these prior art references by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign patent application. Accordingly, no fee is necessary for the filing of this statement. Should the Commissioner determine otherwise, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1353 for any fee shortages, including the petition fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

Applicant respectfully requests that the cited reference be made of record in the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,



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